

this section unless the specialty associated with the position the member is projected to occupy is a specialty in which the member successfully served while on active duty and attained a level of qualification commensurate with the member's grade and years of service".

Subsec. (i). Pub. L. 102-484, §612(d), substituted "September 30, 1993" for "September 30, 1992".

1991—Subsecs. (e) to (g). Pub. L. 102-25 struck out "of this section" wherever appearing.

1989—Subsec. (i). Pub. L. 101-189 substituted "September 30, 1992" for "September 30, 1990".

1987—Subsec. (b)(1)(B). Pub. L. 100-26 inserted a comma after "\$2,500".

Subsec. (i). Pub. L. 100-180 substituted "September 30, 1990" for "September 30, 1987".

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1999 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title VI, §623(b), Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 654, provided that: "The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take effect on October 1, 1999, and shall apply to enlistments beginning on or after that date."

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1993 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 103-160 effective as of Sept. 30, 1993, and applicable with respect to an enlistment, reenlistment, or extension of an enlistment described in this section or section 308b, 308c, or 308h of this title occurring on or after that date, see section 612(f) of Pub. L. 103-160, set out as a note under section 308b of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 644(b) of Pub. L. 99-145 provided that: "The amendments made by subsection (a) [enacting this section] shall take effect on October 1, 1985."

COVERAGE OF PERIOD OF LAPSED AUTHORITY

For provisions relating to coverage of period of lapsed authority from Oct. 1, 1992, to Oct. 23, 1992, for payment of bonuses or other special pay under this section, see section 612(j)(2) of Pub. L. 102-484, set out as a note under section 301b of this title.

§ 309. Special pay: enlistment bonus

(a) **BONUS AUTHORIZED; BONUS AMOUNT.**—A person who enlists in an armed force for a period of at least 2 years may be paid a bonus in an amount not to exceed \$20,000. The bonus may be paid in a single lump sum or in periodic installments.

(b) **REPAYMENT OF BONUS.**—(1) A member of the armed forces who voluntarily, or because of the member's misconduct, does not complete the term of enlistment for which a bonus was paid under this section, or a member who is not technically qualified in the skill for which the bonus was paid, if any (other than a member who is not qualified because of injury, illness, or other impairment not the result of the member's misconduct), shall refund to the United States that percentage of the bonus that the unexpired part of member's enlistment is of the total enlistment period for which the bonus was paid.

(2) An obligation to reimburse the United States imposed under paragraph (1) is for all purposes a debt owed to the United States.

(3) A discharge in bankruptcy under title 11 that is entered less than 5 years after the termination of an enlistment for which a bonus was paid under this section does not discharge the person receiving the bonus from the debt arising under paragraph (1).

(c) **RELATION TO PROHIBITION ON BOUNTIES.**—The enlistment bonus authorized by this section is not a bounty for purposes of section 514(a) of title 10.

(d) **REGULATIONS.**—This section shall be administered under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense for the armed forces under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Defense and by the Secretary of Transportation for the Coast Guard when the Coast Guard is not operating as a service in the Navy.

(e) **DURATION OF AUTHORITY.**—No bonus shall be paid under this section with respect to any enlistment in the armed forces made after December 31, 2001.

(Added Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title VI, §624(a)(1)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A-152.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 309, Pub. L. 87-649, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 468, related to authority of Secretary concerned to provide for additional pay for performance of administrative functions by officers of the National Guard and reserve components, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 96-107, title IV, §404(a)(1), (b), Nov. 9, 1979, 93 Stat. 808, 809, applicable only with respect to administrative functions performed after September 30, 1980.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 106-398, §1 [[div. A], title VI, §624(c)(1)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654, 1654A-153, provided that: "The amendments made by subsection (a) [enacting this section] shall take effect on October 1, 2000, and apply with respect to enlistments in the Armed Forces made on or after that date."

§ 310. Special pay: duty subject to hostile fire or imminent danger

(a) Under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense, a member of a uniformed service may be paid special pay at the rate of \$150 for any month in which he was entitled to basic pay and in which he—

(1) was subject to hostile fire or explosion of hostile mines;

(2) was on duty in an area in which he was in imminent danger of being exposed to hostile fire or explosion of hostile mines and in which, during the period he was on duty in that area, other members of the uniformed services were subject to hostile fire or explosion of hostile mines;

(3) was killed, injured, or wounded by hostile fire, explosion of a hostile mine, or any other hostile action; or

(4) was on duty in a foreign area in which he was subject to the threat of physical harm or imminent danger on the basis of civil insurrection, civil war, terrorism, or wartime conditions.

A member covered by clause (3) who is hospitalized for the treatment of his injury or wound may be paid special pay under this section for not more than three additional months during which he is so hospitalized.

(b)(1) A member may not be paid more than one special pay under this section for any month. A member may be paid special pay under this section in addition to any other pay and allowances to which he may be entitled.

(2) A member of a reserve component who is eligible for special pay under this section for a month shall receive the full amount authorized in subsection (a) for that month regardless of the number of days during that month on which the member satisfies the eligibility criteria specified in such subsection.

(c) Any determination of fact that is made in administering this section is conclusive. Such a determination may not be reviewed by any other officer or agency of the United States unless there has been fraud or gross negligence. However, the determination may be changed on the basis of new evidence or for other good cause.

(Added Pub. L. 88-132, §9(a)(1), Oct. 2, 1963, 77 Stat. 216; amended Pub. L. 89-132, §4, Aug. 21, 1965, 79 Stat. 547; Pub. L. 98-94, title IX, §905(a), (b)(1), Sept. 24, 1983, 97 Stat. 636, 637; Pub. L. 99-145, title VI, §638(a), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 649; Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XIII, §1322(c)(6), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1672; Pub. L. 102-190, div. A, title VI, §§611(a), 613, Dec. 5, 1991, 105 Stat. 1376, 1377; Pub. L. 105-261, div. A, title VI, §621, Oct. 17, 1998, 112 Stat. 2042.)

AMENDMENTS

1998—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 105-261 designated existing provisions as par. (1) and added par. (2).

1991—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102-190 substituted “Under” for “Except in time of war declared by Congress, and under” and “rate of \$150” for “lowest rate for hazardous duty incentive pay specified in section 301(c)(1) of this title”.

1990—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 101-510 struck out subsec. (d) which read as follows: “The Secretary of Defense shall report to Congress by March 1 of each year on the administration of this section during the preceding calendar year.”

1985—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 99-145 substituted “at the lowest rate for hazardous duty incentive pay specified in section 301(c)(1) of this title” for “at the rate of \$65 a month” in provisions preceding cl. (1).

1983—Pub. L. 98-94, §905(b)(1), inserted “or imminent danger” in section catchline.

Subsec. (a)(4). Pub. L. 98-94, §905(a), added cl. (4).

1965—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 89-132 increased rate of special pay from \$55 to \$65 a month.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1985 AMENDMENT

Section 638(b) of Pub. L. 99-145 provided that: “The amendment made by this section [amending this section] shall take effect on October 1, 1985.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1983 AMENDMENT

Section 905(c) of Pub. L. 98-94 provided that: “The amendments made by this section [amending this section] shall take effect on October 1, 1983.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1965 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 89-132 effective Sept. 1, 1965, see section 10 of Pub. L. 89-132, set out as a note under section 203 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 1963, see section 14 of Pub. L. 88-132, set out as an Effective Date of 1963 Amendment note under section 201 of this title.

TEMPORARY INCREASE IN SPECIAL PAY IN CONNECTION WITH PERSIAN GULF CONFLICT

Pub. L. 102-25, title III, §301, Apr. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 80, provided that:

“(a) INCREASED RATE.—In lieu of the rate of special pay specified in section 310(a) of title 37, United States Code, the rate of special pay payable under that section shall be \$150 for each month during the period described in subsection (b).

“(b) PERIOD OF APPLICABILITY.—Subsection (a) shall apply during the period beginning on August 1, 1990, and ending on the first day of the first month beginning on or after the date 180 days after the end of the Persian Gulf conflict.”

IMMINENT DANGER PAY

Section 1111(a) of Pub. L. 101-510 provided that: “The Secretary of Defense may provide for the payment of imminent danger pay under section 310 of title 37, United States Code, to members of the Armed Forces assigned to duty in the Persian Gulf area in connection with Operation Desert Shield with respect to periods of duty served after August 1, 1990, and before the date of the enactment of this Act [Nov. 5, 1990].”

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 411a of this title; title 10 sections 701, 703, 1079, 1133; title 20 section 1087ee; title 24 section 412; title 26 section 112; title 42 section 1382a.

§ 311. Repealed. Pub. L. 99-145, title VI, § 639(b), Nov. 8, 1985, 99 Stat. 651]

Section, added Pub. L. 90-207, §1(2)(A), Dec. 16, 1967, 81 Stat. 651; amended Pub. L. 90-603, §1, Oct. 18, 1968, 82 Stat. 1187; Pub. L. 90-623, §3(5), Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1314; Pub. L. 93-274, §1(3), May 6, 1974, 88 Stat. 95; Pub. L. 93-394, §1, Aug. 29, 1974, 88 Stat. 792; Pub. L. 96-284, §4(d)(1)-(3), June 28, 1980, 94 Stat. 591, 592; Pub. L. 96-513, title IV, §414(b), title V, §516(7), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2906, 2938, provided for continuation pay for dentists in the armed forces. See section 302b of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective Oct. 1, 1985, see section 639(f) of Pub. L. 99-145, set out as an Effective Date of 1985 Amendment note under section 302b of this title.

§ 312. Special pay: nuclear-qualified officers extending period of active service

(a) Under regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Navy, an officer of the naval service who—

(1) is entitled to basic pay;

(2) has the current technical qualification for duty in connection with supervision, operation, and maintenance of naval nuclear propulsion plants; and

(3) executes a written agreement to remain on active duty in connection with supervision, operation, and maintenance of naval nuclear propulsion plants for a period of three, four, or five years, so long as the new period of obligated active service does not extend beyond the end of 26 years of commissioned service, in addition to any other period of obligated active service,

may, upon the acceptance by the Secretary or his designee of the written agreement, in addition to all other compensation to which he is entitled, be paid a sum of money not to exceed \$25,000 for each year of the active-service agreement. The Secretary of the Navy shall determine annually the necessity for continuance of the special pay and the rate of special pay per year for such active-service agreements accept-